

New U.S. Appln.  
PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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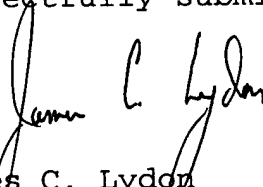
REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment rewrites claims 8 and 9. The amendment to claim 8 merely eliminates a multiple dependency, while the change to claim 9 merely corrects a typographical error. Claims 1-26 are pending.

An Information Disclosure Statement, a Transmittal of Formal Drawings and a Recordation Form Cover Sheet are attached.

It is not believed any fee is required for entry and consideration of this Preliminary Amendment. Nevertheless, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 50-1258 in the amount of any such required fee.

Respectfully submitted,



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Attachments:

Information Disclosure Statement  
Transmittal of Formal Drawings  
Recordation Form Cover Sheet